

## 2. English as a Second Language (ESL)

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### PROGRAM SUMMARY/PURPOSE:

The purpose of English as a Second Language Programs is to provide educational instruction in English language communication skills (understanding, speaking, reading, and writing) to students whose native language is not English.

The overall goals of the programs are to assist in English language acquisition, to help ESL students to obtain jobs, and gain access to educational opportunities. It may also include citizenship to prepare for naturalization.

### GUIDELINES/REQUIREMENTS:

#### Program Eligibility

See Program Eligibility chart in the Executive Summary tab of this guidebook.

#### Assessment Requirements

See Assessment tab of this guidebook.

#### Curriculum

The Adult Education Taskforce groups are currently developing content standards for ESL.

### FUNDING:

An EL Civics program is an allowable activity under all adult education funding sources (federal and state).